

Rio Arriba County Detention Center (RACDC) POLICY 050: BOMB THREAT OR DISCOVERY OF A BOMB

The safety of the public, staff and inmates shall be a primary factor in implementing evacuation plans due to bomb threats or discovery of a bomb.

Procedure:

- 1. If a bomb is discovered, absolutely all radio communications shall cease. Any call for assistance shall be made on the telephone.
- 2. Inmates shall be evacuated to a safe area.
- 3. The administrator shall assure that a safe area be designated for this purpose.
- 4. No inmates nor staff shall handle the bomb.
- 5. Area law enforcement shall be notified to have their bomb squad respond to the facility.
- 6. An accurate head count of the inmates shall be maintained at all times.
- 7. While evacuated, the inmates shall be on constant visual.

In case of a bomb threat:

- 1. Anyone receiving a call or message of a bomb threat shall immediately notify the supervisor on duty or the administrator.
- 2. The shift supervisor or the administrator shall notify the proper authorities.
- 3. All visitors shall be escorted out of the facility.
- 4. All inmates shall be secured in their cells immediately.
- 5. A thorough check of the entire facility shall be conducted with the assistance of the authorities notified.
- 6. If no bomb is found, control shall be restored to the facility.
- 7. If a bomb is found, evacuation procedures shall be implemented immediately.
- 8. Detention staff shall record all information and submit report to the administrator.



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- 9. At no time shall anyone other than the bomb squad go near, touch, or attempt to dismantle or remove the bomb.
- 10. The bomb squad shall be in charge of the immediate area where the bomb is discovered.
- 11. In the event of an explosion, the injured shall be administered first aid and medical attention provided if necessary.
- 12. Authorities shall conduct a complete investigation and prosecute the individuals responsible.